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from the EDITOR'S CHAIR

MR. K'S CHINESE CURSE?

It's never been easy to follow the twists and turns in the Communist Party line.

And figuring out why Khrushchev suddenly switches from benign to blustery isn't easy, either.

It has been suggested that the new "hard" line from Moscow on the nuclear test ban may, actually, have originated in Peking.

We're not the only ones to have trouble with our allies—and our allies aren't bigger than we are, either.

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WITH APOLOGIES TO BILL

If pressure from Peking made Mr. K act that way, it lends weight to what Emil Mazey, secretary-treasurer of the United Auto Workers, said in Oakland last Saturday.

Mazey said you can't separate the disarmament issue from glaring errors in our foreign policy. He said we're farthest off base on China and Germany.

If we recognize Communist China and let her into the United Nations, channels of communication will be established, at least, Mazey pointed out.

It's hard to talk sense through a bamboo curtain. Or even talk.

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'LABOR'S STAKE IN PEACE'

Finding jobs for defense workers in case of disarmament was another big problem discussed at Saturday's conference.

The Kennedy Administration is reported about to introduce bills to set up a peace or disarmament agency.

This is the kind of national planning agency Mazey was talking about.

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BENICIA IS SURVIVING

In this connection, it's interesting to note that the hue and cry about closing of the Benicia arsenal has died down somewhat.

The government has expressed willingness to absorb the 2,350 arsenal employees at other defense establishments in the nation or in civil service jobs in this area.

The arsenal facilities will be made available to private industry, and probably more jobs will be created.

On a much smaller scale, here is the kind of a situation we may face if we ever reach a disarmament agreement with the Russians (and the Chinese, French, English, Israelis, etc.).

It didn't hurt so much, did it?

The biggest difference is we won't be able to transfer jobless workers to other defense installations.

Their energies will have to go toward filling our many unmet peacetime needs (and the world's).

OFFICIAL NOTICES

Unions will find notices of important meetings called by their officers on page 5 of this issue of the Journal.

No opposition in BTC race -- incumbents 'in'

Debate on term of office nearly brings roll call CLC to re-study stand in Santa Fe-S.P. controversy

Top officers of the Alameda County Building Trades Council are unopposed for re-election.

They are: Joseph F. Pruss of Sheet Metal Workers 216, president; Alfred Thoman of Carpenters 36, vice-president; John Davy of Steamfitters 342, secretary-treasurer; J. L. Childers of Plasterers 112, business representative, and Bert Oas of Laborers 304, sergeant-at-arms.

Nominated without opposition as trustees were: Joseph Souza, Clerks and Lumber Handlers 939; M. B. Dillashaw, Cement Masons 594; Marvin Edwards, Painters 127; L. A. Fuller, Carpenters 1622, and William Ward, Lathers 88.

Nominated to the Law and Legislative Committee were: William Norman, Hod Carriers 166; Philip Parent, Painters 40; Leroy Barstow, Painters 1178; William Marshall, Carpenters 1473; X. G. Restos, Electricians 595, and A. Heinson, Plumbers 444.

Because of the July 4 holiday, voting will be July 18. Voting for all offices and the trustees will be a formality, but there are six candidates for five jobs on the Law and Legislative Committee.

DEBATE ON TERM OF OFFICE

A lengthy debate took place on the length of the term of

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Mazey urges continued efforts on control of nuclear testing

Despite the apparent deadlock at Geneva, negotiations on control of nuclear testing should continue, Emil Mazey, secretary-treasurer of the United Auto Workers, told 192 unionists in Oakland Saturday.

Speaking at a conferece on "Can the Labor Movement Build for a Just Peace?" Mazey repeated his opposition to many official AFLCIO statements on foreign policy and disarmament. The labor movement, he said, should "get the people of our country to realize the importance of peace."

As he said here March 31, Mazey does not believe in unilateral disarmament. But he believes the arms race—aside from the fact that it costs the world \$150 billion a year—can end only in disaster.

Mazey believes a negotiated

Central Labor Council delegates debated Monday night whether to take sides in the battle between Southern Pacific and Santa Fe over control of Western Pacific.

An Executive Committee recommendation to back Santa Fe was tabled. Then it was removed from the table and referred back to the Executive Committee for further discussion.

The recommendation to back Santa Fe resulted from a talk by L. C. Johnson, a Santa Fe representative, at the June 12 meeting of the labor council.

KEEP COMPETITION, JOBS

Johnson pledged that Santa Fe's effort was designed to keep railroad competition alive and maintain railroad jobs in Northern California, Nevada and Utah.

He said S.P. control of Western Pacific would do the opposite.

Monday night, C. A. Leiper of Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen 850 said the railroad brotherhoods are opposed to all mergers. He urged the CLC to vote for keeping W.P. independent.

Albert Lentz of Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Engineers 820 said it is now too late for this. The only effective action now, Lentz said, is to back Santa Fe.

He said W.P. employees favor this action. The matter will come up before the Executive Committee again today.

end to the arms race and the Cold War is possible. He believes this can be done without undue risks, but we must begin by making certain changes on our foreign policy.

CHINA AND GERMANY

"I do not believe it is possible to have disarmament or realistic nuclear controls," Mazey declared, "if we continue to ignore the existence of China, which contains one-fourth of the world's people."

Although Laos, Cuba and other crises are getting the headlines, Mazey feels the two crucial roadblocks to ending the Cold War are conflicts between the East and West over China and Germany.

Mazey detailed what he called "serious blunders" in our policy toward China. He pointed out

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HEAT WAVE last week didn't faze pickets at the Peter Paul candy plant. They kept cool with parasols. Shown, from left to right, are Myra Stiles, Toni Puetz and Margaret Newberry.

Union girds for struggle at anti-union plant here

Don't buy Mounds and Almond Joy candy.

These are the biggest products of the Peter Paul candy company.

Local 242 of the AFLCIO American Bakery and Confectionery Workers is engaged in a life-or-death struggle with the union-busting company's Oakland plant at 1001 81st Ave.

The union needs the support of members of all unions in Alameda County, and everywhere else, in:

- Not buying Mounds, Almond Joy or any other Peter Paul products, and

- Discouraging the relatives of all union members who are crossing Local 242's picket line.

BASIC LABOR PRINCIPLES

Robert S. Ash, executive secretary of the Central Labor Council, said Monday night:

"These are basic trade union principles. Nobody goes through picket lines. Nobody buys 'scab' products."

Launching of a nationwide labor boycott against Peter Paul was described by Archie E. Goodman, international vice-

president of the ABC, and Arthur R. Hellender, assistant secretary of the Central Labor Council.

Hellender also said:

- Southern Pacific railroad police "all but physically moved" pickets to let a train into the plant.

(Most of the pickets are women.)

- Strikebreakers beat up the husband of a picket.

- Al's Janitorial Service was crossing the picket line, despite efforts by Hellender and Tom Anderson of Dining Car Cooks and Waiters 456 to persuade him that he was hurting the union.

Ruth Lynch and Margie Holmes of Local 242 told the labor council about the lighter side of picketing activities.

Labor Council endorses Freedom Riders night before they land in jail

The Central Labor Council voted its endorsement of the 14 Bay Area Freedom Riders Monday night, and they landed in the Jackson, Miss., jail Tuesday.

Bogdan Benitch of Machinists 68, who appeared before the CLC Executive Committee last Friday, said more Freedom Riders will leave the Bay Area soon.

He said the first group included one unionist, Buron Teal of Machinists 824, as well as a minister, a teacher and 11 students.

Benitch appeared on behalf of the Congress of Racial Equality (CORE).

A FEW MORE ANNIVERSARY EDITION ADS IN THIS ISSUE

Due to the large number of advertisements for candidates in union elections, we had to hold out some of the special ads from our 35th Anniversary Editions (June 9 and 16).

These advertisements will be found in this and next week's East Bay Labor Journal.

HOW TO BUY

Say goodbye to 'low' prices

By SIDNEY MARGOLIUS

Labor Consumer Advisor for Labor Journal

As this department has been advising you, right now we're in a period of stable living costs with some exceptional recession born buys available in appliances and clothing especially.

Now it's our duty to inform you that living costs are about to rise again. Already on the wholesale level, prices of some of the important raw materials like metals, and also of food, are beginning to harden.

This means that July is a time to look for buying opportunities in things you are planning to buy if you have some cash to buy with without taking on heavy finance charges.

Timing your shopping to anticipate your needs when prices are most favorable is one of the most important techniques of buying the most for your hard earned dollars.

Another method of adjusting to the coming rise in prices is to switch your food buying from those items about to take off to lower-cost equivalents. Meat, and especially beef and lamb, have been relatively reasonable recently. But we're moving into a summer of high meat prices.

July is an especially good month for finding price reductions. One of the most important July sales is the semi-annual shoe sales offering reductions of 10-20 per cent. Summer dresses and sportswear are cleared this month at sharp reductions. Men's shirts and other haberdashery are sale priced,

giving you an opportunity to fill in wardrobe needs. July hosiery sales give you a chance to save on the stockings you'll need this fall.

In household equipment, refrigerators and washing machines are sale priced, even though they have been selling at reduced prices all year. In television sets, competition has been fierce, with some 19-inch models offered for as little as \$110-\$120.

Families in the market for cars should note that used car prices take a drop after July 4.

Another money saving opportunity is the discounts offered by fuel dealers if you fill bins and tanks before the autumn rush.

Here are tips on other July buying opportunities:

MEN'S SUMMER SUITS: Look for sales after July 4. The three general types of men's summer suits and slacks are:

Lowest-price: Blends of polyester fiber (Dacron or Kodol) with rayon, or polyester, rayon and acrylic fiber (Orlon or Creslan) generally retail for \$35-\$45. They are suitable for occasional wear. The higher the percentage of Dacron or Kodol in the blend, the more crease resistant and harder wearing is the fabric. For example, a good quality blend is 65 per cent Dacron, 35 per cent rayon.

Medium-price: Blends of polyester with wool worsted, such as a blend of approximately 50 per cent Dacron and 50 per cent worsted, retail for \$40-\$60. These generally give longer wear and keep their shape better than the polyester and rayon blends.

High-price: The finest summer suits are generally found in the all-wool worsted group. They often cost \$60 up. Better quality wool worsted trousers now often are available with a permanent crease. The chemicals used for this process are like those used in women's permanent wave solutions.

The fiber content, of course, is only one clue to the satisfaction you'll get from a suit. The construction of the suit is at least as important.

FOOD: Beef still is somewhat reasonable, but prices of all meats are beginning to move up. Look for good buys this summer in turkeys (supplies are running 25 per cent ahead) and broilers.

In beef, the costlier cuts, like steaks, are in demand at this time of year. The better values are in meats requiring longer cooking, like chuck roast, for the very reason that many housewives avoid them in hot weather.

The high price of processed orange juice is a problem to moderate income families this summer. Grapefruit juices are relatively reasonable this year; tomato juice is another low cost alternative.

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Puppet theater

The puppet theater in Children's Fairyland, Lakeside Park, sponsored by Milk Drivers 302, went on a seven day a week basis June 19 and will remain so throughout the summer.

Shows will be at 11 a.m. and 2 and 4 p.m. daily. Present production is "Hansel and Gretel."

All attractions at Children's Fairyland and Peralta Play-ground are on a seven day basis for the summer.

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Brown signs 4 consumer bills

At least four key bills actively supported by State Consumer Counsel Helen Nelson during the recent session of the Legislature have been passed and signed by Gov. Edmund G. (Pat) Brown:

• A. B. 266 (Assemblyman Edwin Ziberg) requires labels on hazardous household substances to list ingredients and the most effective internal and external antidotes.

• S. B. 412 and

• S. B. 413 (Senator Hugh Burns) put California laws on color additives to food and drugs on a par with federal requirements.

• A. B. 1133 (Assemblyman Thomas M. Rees) includes warranty or guarantee contracts involve service, maintenance, parts replacement or repair under auto insurance.

Also includes those which promise money or any other indemnity for loss or damage to a vehicle or its parts. Puts all such contracts under the regulation of the State Insurance Commission.

Repackaging of drug samples hit

The U. S. Food and Drug Administration has cracked down on three firms which repackaged and sold hundreds of thousands of free drug samples originally intended for physicians.

The FDA also went to court against three retailers who sold Swiss cheese with artificial holes punched in it, in violation of federal law. In some cases, Swiss cheese with holes in it was on the outside of the package and cheese with no holes inside.

In FDA consent agreements,

• Two sleeping bag makers agreed not to misrepresent cut sizes as actual dimensions on labels.

• A Los Angeles photo album maker agreed to stop issuing phony price claims.

Milk buyers get quantity discount

California's milk price fixers (the State Bureau of Milk Stabilization and big dairy interests) gave the consumer who buys his milk in large quantities at stores in Alameda and Contra Costa counties a very slight break last week.

For the first time, store customers could save four cents a gallon if they bought their milk in half gallon cartons, and if they bought at least two half gallon cartons at one time.

Similar discounts have been proposed in Napa, Sonoma, Lake and parts of Solano and Mendocino counties. There is pressure to grant them in other parts of the state.

In addition to the public, pressure is coming from grocery stores, who have suffered from the fact that the milk price fixing bureau authorized drive-in milk outlets to sell milk two cents a quart cheaper several years ago.

(Note: if you patronize a drive-in milk outlet, be sure it's a union one. Some of them are not.)

To the Ladies: FROM the EDITOR

"CHEYENNE," a TV western popular with the younger set, is pumped into American homes each Monday night by the American Broadcasting Co. ABC specializes in TV westerns and crime shows, each with a varying degree of violence.

"Cheyenne" has been criticized as one of the most violent.

The producer of "Cheyenne," a vice-president of Warner Brother Pictures, appeared last week before a U. S. Senate subcommittee investigating the effect of TV programming upon juvenile delinquency.

He defended "Cheyenne" by saying there were equally violent scenes in the Bible, the Iliad and the Odyssey, and Macbeth.

ASIDE FROM THE FACT that few youngsters read these works, at least in their entirety, he ignored one very basic fact:

TV has a greater impact upon youngsters than the printed word.

It is more dramatic. In fact—despite what the producer said—many shows are deliberately "hopped up" with crime, violence and (in some cases) sex.

The combined effect upon the urchins huddled around TV sets of seeing acts of violence performed before their eyes, to the accompaniment of stimulating music, sound effects and dialogue at close range, can hardly be overestimated.

AS WE POINTED OUT in an earlier column on this subject, there are many worthwhile programs on TV.

However, a story in the "Christian Science Monitor" June 10 says 50 per cent of all U.S. television programming is now of the "crime and violence type of show." Five years ago it was 16½ per cent.

The industry's excuse, the newspaper points out, is that the ratings show that this kind of program is what the public wants.

As a reply to this, the paper quotes Senator Thomas J. Dodd of Connecticut, subcommittee chairman.

Senator Dodd says: "We don't need ratings to prove that millions of people want to gamble. I feel that we must determine if this gigantic new medium is not allowing similar human weaknesses (toward social evils) to dictate its policies and to drag it into the same category as the violent Roman spectacles of 2,000 years ago, which also had 'high ratings.'"

No matter how you feel about gambling, or Senator Dodd's work as chairman of the Senate equivalent of the House Un-American Activities Committee, he has hit the nail squarely on the head.

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Thoman, Benonys win in heavy balloting by Carpenters 36

Al Thoman and Gunnar (Benny) Benonys were elected business agents for Carpenters 36 last Friday, as the so-called "rank-and-file" slate headed by Paul Hudgins suffered almost complete defeat.

Thoman, a B.A. for five years, was listed on both slates but considered himself an administration candidate. Benonys will succeed C. E. Risley, who is retiring after nearly 40 years. There were also four independents.

Benonys, a former president of Local 36, began as an apprentice in 1939. He has also been a carpenter instructor, foreman and, for the past six years, apprenticeship consultant for the State Division of Apprenticeship Standards.

He was editor of the Carpenters News of Local 36 for several years.

Harry Yetter was elected president of Local 36, replacing Joe Hightower, who is retiring. Yetter defeated George Collins, formerly vice-president, and Larry Lepsic.

Wilfred Campbell was elected vice president, defeating Lem Flanigan.

The administration slate made a clean sweep of all key offices. Nearly all delegates elected were backed by the administration slate, too.

Incumbents re-elected, in addition to Thoman, included Oscar Anderson, recording secretary; E. M. Crow, financial secretary; William Wheeler, treasurer; P. T. Brightwell, conductor; M. B. Cameron, trustee, and Joseph Irthum, warden.

Irthum, the only unopposed candidate, is 87 years old. He is a veteran of 75 years in the labor movement in England and the United States.

DELEGATES ELECTED

Delegates elected to the Bay Counties District Council of Carpenters were:

E. M. Crow, C. R. Bartalini, Alfred Thoman, Lem Flanigan, Oscar N. Anderson, Anders Larsen, Frank Lindahl, G. Benny Benonys, Howell Frazier, Eugene Anderson, P. T. Brightwell, James Brooks, M. B. Cameron,

John Clapp, Ed Jonson, W. I. Dorsey, Harry Yetter, Lewis Wilson, Wilfred Campbell, George Collins.

Elected delegates to the Building Trades Council were Thoman, Bartalini, Anderson, Flanigan, Benonys, Yetter, Thomas Almond, and Larsen.

Elected delegates to the Central Labor Council were Thoman, Anderson, Almond, Frazier and Brooks.

A total of 567 votes were cast. For the first time, Local 36 used voting machines. The election was for a two year term.

Following were results of balloting for officers:

President—Harry Yetter, 240; George Collins, 192; Larry Lepsic, 103.

Vice President — Wilfred Campbell, 303; Lem Flanigan, 193.

Recording Secretary—Oscar N. Anderson, 366; Frank Johnson, 130.

Financial Secretary — E. M. Crow, 436; Melvin W. Johnson, 85.

Treasurer — William Wheeler, 317; John Roth, 160.

Conductor—P. T. Brightwell, 320; Herman Sharp, 175.

Warden—Joseph Irthum, 440. Trustee—M. B. Cameron, 319; Gene Hammond, 158.

Business Agents (2 elected)—Alfred Thoman, 414; G. Benny Benonys, 236; Paul Hudgins, 174; Frank Lindahl, 102; Howell Frazier, 53; Lewis Wilson, 25.

If you go to Toronto, give Royal York Hotel 'wide berth,' union urges

If you're going to Toronto, Canada, give the Royal York Hotel "a wide berth."

The Royal York, largest hotel in the British Commonwealth, is owned by the Canadian Pacific Railway.

Some 1,250 members of Hotel and Restaurant Employees Local 299 have been on strike there since April 24. The Canadian Pacific management has been trying "to starve the strikers into submission" by recruiting strikebreakers from among Toronto's record number of unemployed, according to information received here by Pat Sander, senior business agent for Cooks 228, Oakland.

The Hotel and Restaurant Employees and Bartenders International Union has launched a campaign among both unions and the general public to stay away from the Royal York.

Tom Anderson of Dining Car Cooks and Waiters 456 also reported briefly on the Royal York situation at the Central Labor Council meeting of June 12.

Warehouse strike ends

The strike of Teamster and ILWU warehousemen in many parts of northern California ended Tuesday.

But settlement hopes dimmed in the nationwide strike of seamen over the runaway ship issue.

Hospital Workers 250 rejects proposals of 7 E. B. hospitals

Members of Hospital and Institutional Workers 250 have rejected a contract proposal from seven East Bay hospitals, according to Tom Kelly, union secretary.

The present contract, covering approximately 1,000 non-professional hospital workers, expires June 30.

The union is seeking a \$20 a month wage increase, unemployment and disability insurance coverage, a union shop provision and fringe benefits.

The Associated Hospitals' counter-proposal, which was voted down, included a \$5 a month increase, cancellation of present payroll deduction of union dues, drastic restriction of the present bargaining unit, and

weakening of present union membership agreements under the collective bargaining agreement, according to Kelly.

The hospitals also rejected the union request for coverage under the State Unemployment and Disability Program.

Kelly pointed out that the \$5 a month wage increase proposed by the employers amounted to less than three cent an hour. Union and hospital representatives plan further talks before the June 30 expiration date, Kelly said.

Involved in the dispute are housekeeping, laundry, dietary and nursing departments at the following hospitals: Alameda, Alta Bates, Children's, Herrick, Merritt, Peralta and Providence.

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MANNY LOERA
at the piano bar

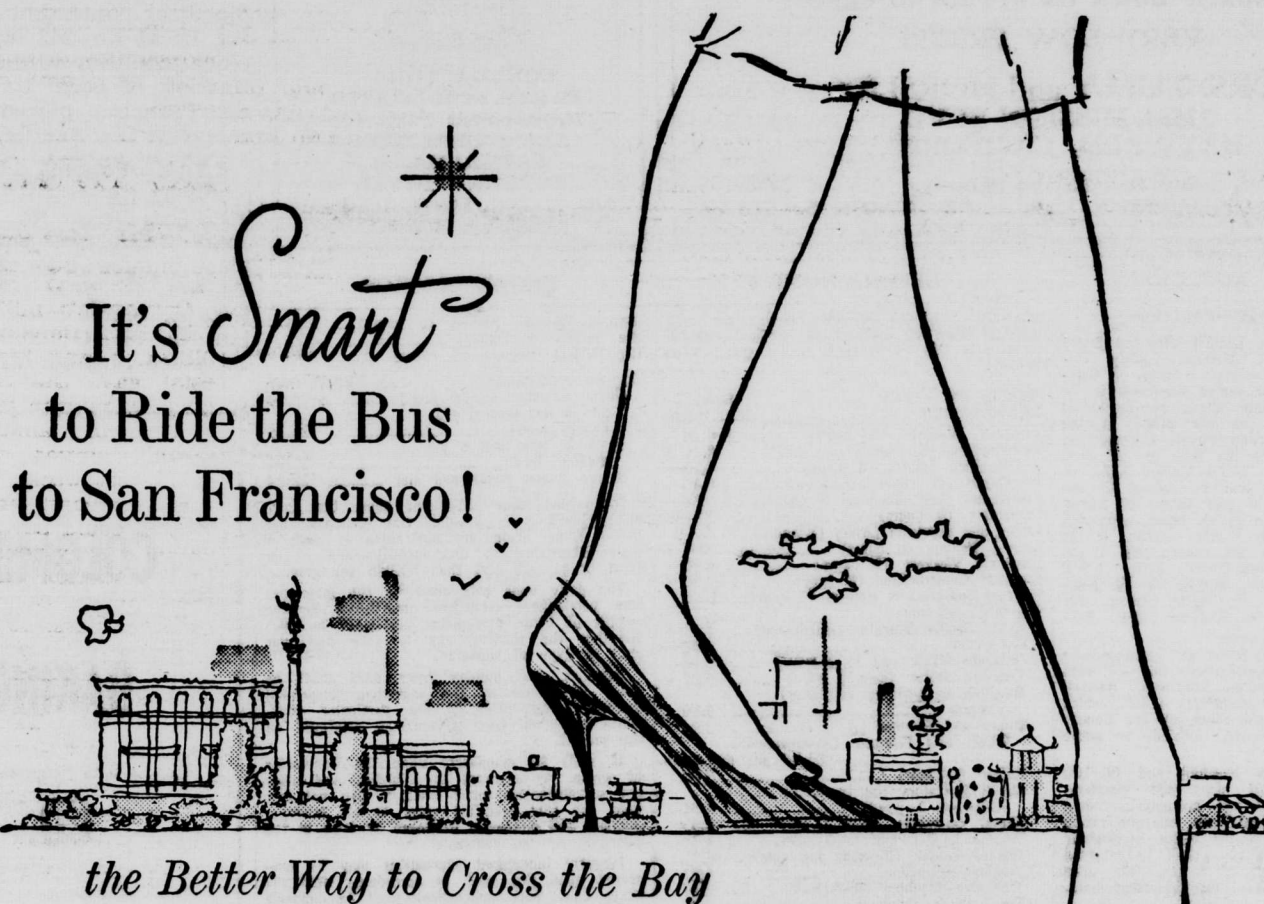
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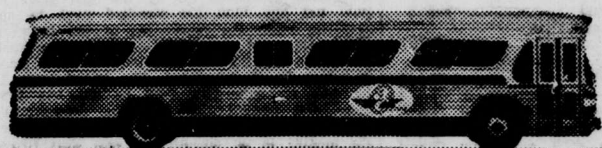
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By WILEY H. MOUNTJOY

It seems there are more and more of our members coming into the office who are completely fed up with some of the conditions on the larger jobs.

Mainly, the bitter complaint is against the contractors and their foremen (who are supposed to be union men) constantly violating the Agreement, Article 9, Section 13: "Employees shall not work on a piece work basis, nor be permitted to contract or sub-contract."

Granted that work is still nip and tuck, not rushing — and granted that most of us are up to our eyebrows in hock—but still, these are not good and sufficient reasons for agreeing with the boss to forget our agreement. It has been too hard to come by. It has taken a half century or more to gain the good conditions protected by the agreement. How stupid to chuck it away for a few days work!

You need to know the local and the council are backing you — we are! And we need your support! So it's a matter of getting together again, eh?

The best place to start is at the local meeting. Be there with your gripes, good ideas and good will. By making an intelligent effort we can do what we want to do.

And what we should want to do is our best.

Chips and Chatter

By AL THOMAN

The list dropped a few this a.m. to 175. There were some six calls and probably ten who were being called back.

I want to thank you brothers for your vote of confidence and say I will do my best. I know you will not hesitate to let me know my errors; be sure I will accept criticism and suggestion at all times as a constructive necessity if we are to grow and prosper.

For those brothers who could not find parking, and I was aware of quite a few who came by but passed on after a few times around the blocks, there will be a serious attempt at something better for your convenience on future occasions.

Carpenters Credit Union

By PAUL HUGGINS, Treasurer

During the past 30 months this credit union has grown \$315,000, an average increase of \$10,000 per month. Each month the increase has been between 9 and 11 thousand, indicating a very steady and healthy growth.

Life insurance we are now carrying on the members totals \$510,000, over a half million. Every dollar invested in shares

DEADLINE

Deadline for union columns and meeting notices for the June 30 issue of the East Bay Labor Journal is noon, Monday, June 26.

gives the member matching life insurance, and the borrower's life is insured also for the loan balance at all times. On loans we also carry disability insurance. The insurance costs the individual member nothing.

Over 700 members are benefiting through credit union membership. There are many more carpenters who need the credit union. First the member needs to learn to save a little out of each paycheck, and the credit union makes it easy. Then, sooner or later, the member will benefit by borrowing. He will save money by financing purchases at the credit union, and in an emergency he will not have to fall into the clutches of the "loan sharks."

More peace of mind is one of the immediate results of starting a savings program at the credit union. If you are adding a few dollars regularly, you know all the time that in an emergency you will be able to get a quick loan. A record of regular deposits shows the loan committee that you have some control over your spending, and that you will be able to repay a loan. It's a mighty good thing to be in and it's your own.

Steamfitters Local 342

By JIM MARTIN

At our last membership meeting held June 15, 1961, the Negotiating Committee of this union submitted a report covering our current negotiations with our employer associations, relative to our working agreement. Also, at this time the members voted by secret ballot to request strike sanction from the Alameda Building Trades Council.

The Negotiating Committee has scheduled meetings with our employers and a report of the results of the negotiations will be presented to the membership on Sunday, July 2, 1961, in Hall M of the Labor Temple, at 10 a.m., at which time the report will be either accepted or rejected. As this is most important to you, please arrange your affairs so that you may be present at this meeting.

The California State Joint Apprenticeship Committee conducted the Annual Contest for the 4th and 5th year Plumber and Pipefitter Apprentices the past week at San Luis Obispo, Calif. There were 40 participants. The announcement of the winners was made at the banquet held following the completion of the contest. The banquet was attended by 160 apprentices, their wives, the contest judges, Polytechnic College personnel, committee members and guests.

Milton Burley, 4th year pipefitter contestant representing this local union, was the 1st place pipefitter winner.

James Shattuck, 5th year pipefitter contestant, representing Local No. 342, was the 3rd place pipefitter winner. Leonard Garriott of Local Union No. 38, San Francisco, placed 1st in this category.

Jack Pottroff, 5th year plumber contestant, representing Local Union No. 393 of San Jose, California, was the 1st place plumber winner, and John Yznaga, 4th year plumber contestant, representing Local Union No. 761, Glendale, was the 1st place plumber winner.

Watchmakers Local 101

By GEORGE F. ALLEN

There seems to be more interest developing with regard to the service of electric watches. We have had one or two requests about not only the actual repair of the watches but also requests as to the amount to be charged for overhauling an electric watch.

After checking various classifications of jewelry stores and watchmakers who are in our jurisdiction, we would say that a price ranging between \$15.50 and \$17.00 would be a fair price for the overhaul of an electric watch.

We also found at the same time that some of our stores are making a \$1.50 service charge in connection with the replacement of an electric watch battery that costs \$3.00. We do not think this is out of line because the electric watch has to be opened and a new battery inserted, and sometimes an adjustment is necessary when adding a new battery, and it is even quite possible that you may get it back for regulation some time after you have inserted the new battery.

As for the actual repairing of the watches, we cannot write too much about this. As you know, we have had numerous classes the last few years and with the added interest we intend to try and start another electric watch repair class in September at the John A. O'Connell Trade School in San Francisco.

We shall have to get permission to start the class on a trial basis with the expectation of obtaining watchmakers interested in taking the training.

We will write you more later when we actually get ready to try and start another electric watch class.

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These bids shall be presented in accordance with the plans and specifications for said work presented by Van Bourg, Nakamura, Ratcliff and Ratcliff, Associated Architects, A.I.A., which are on file at the said office of the County Clerk of Alameda County, located as above mentioned.

On deposit of One Hundred and 00/100 Dollars (\$100.00) said plans and specifications may be had by any prospective bidder for the work above mentioned on application to the County Clerk at his office hereinabove mentioned and in each case shall be returned within seven (7) days after the date upon which the bids are opened for the above work.

If the plans and specifications are not returned to the office of the County Clerk within the time above specified or are returned in a mutilated or damaged condition, the said deposit will be retained by said Retirement Board as agreed and liquidated damages for said mutilation or retention.

Bids must be made on proposals obtained at the said office of the County Clerk and must be signed by the bidder and accompanied by a cash deposit, cashier's check or certified check, certified without qualification, and drawn on a solvent bank of the State of California or a National Bank doing business in the State of California, and made payable to the Board of Retirement of the Alameda County Employees Retirement Association, State of California, to be retained by the Retirement Board of Alameda County as agreed and liquidated damages should the party or parties to whom the contract should be awarded fail to enter into the contract after the award, or to give the bond required for the faithful performance of the contract, or any other bond required by law. The amount of said cash deposit, cashier's check, or certified check shall be for Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00).

The Contractor and all subcontractors under him must pay all laborers, workmen, and mechanics on said work, or any part thereof, not less than the general prevailing rate of per diem wages for day, legal holiday, and overtime work, for work of a similar character in the locality in which the work is performed (to wit: The County of Alameda) which per diem wages shall be not less than the stipulated rates contained in a schedule thereof which has been ascertained and determined by said Board of Supervisors, and which is now on file with the County Clerk of Alameda County, and by reference incorporated and specified herein and made a part hereof, and which said general prevailing rates of per diem wages as

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hereinabove referred to and adopted for each craft or type of workmen or mechanic needed to execute this contract, is herein specified as follows:

| RAFTS OR TYPES OF WORKMEN | SCALE PER HOUR |
|---|----------------------|
| Asbestos Workers (8 hours) | 4.35 |
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| Bricklayers (8 hours) | 4.10 |
| Bricklayers (8 hours) | 4.15 |
| Bricklayers (8 hours) | 4.15 |
| Carpenters (8 hours) | 3.60 |
| Carpenters (8 hours) | 3.725 |
| Carpenters (8 hours) | 4.125 |
| Cement Masons (8 hours) | 3.97 |
| Electrical Workers (8 hours) | 4.38 |
| Elevator Constructors (8 hours) | 4.30 |
| Elevator Constructors (8 hours) | 3.01 |
| Engineers (8 hours) | 4.21 |
| Blade Grader Operator (finish work) | 3.48 |
| Compressor | 3.48 |
| Concrete Mixer (up to 1 yard) | 3.48 |
| Concrete Mixer (over 1 yard) | 3.87 |
| Hoisting on building (material) | 3.80 |
| 1 drum | 3.80 |
| Oilers and Firemen | 3.36 |
| Oilers and Firemen (underground) | 3.36 |
| Roller Operators | \$1.00 per day extra |
| Shovel Operators (up to & including 1 yard) | 3.92 |
| Shovel Operators (over 1 yard) | 4.31 |
| Tractor Loader (up to 2 yards) | 4.43 |
| Tractor Loader (2 yards and over) | 4.14 |
| Tractor Operators | 4.31 |
| Trenching Machine Operators | 4.01 |
| Truck Crane Engineer | 3.97 |
| Floor Layers (8 hours) | 4.43 |
| Glaziers, Building Construction (8 hours) | 3.865 |
| Ironworkers (8 hours) | 3.79 |
| Structural and Bridge | 4.275 |
| Welders | 4.275 |
| Structural | 4.275 |
| All Rigging | 4.275 |
| Housesmiths, Arch. Iron | 4.025 |
| Housesmiths, Rein. | 4.025 |
| concrete or rodmen | 4.025 |
| Ornamental | 4.275 |
| (All Foremen—35 cents per hour extra) | |
| Laborers (8 hours) | 3.225 |
| Building laborers | 3.225 |
| General Laborers | 3.225 |
| Concrete Pan Installing | 3.475 |
| Concrete Workers (wet and dry) | 3.325 |
| Jackhammer Operators | 3.475 |
| Vibrators | 3.325 |
| Truck Laborers | 3.225 |
| Watchmen Working | 3.225 |
| Vitrified and concrete pipe laying | 3.475 |
| Sewer | 3.225 |
| Form Strippers | 3.225 |
| Lathers (6 hours) | 4.04 |
| Lumber Handlers and Helpers (8 hours) | 2.765 |
| Lumber Clerks | 2.9925 |
| Millwrights (8 hours) | 3.945 |
| Painters (7 hours) | 3.67 |
| Plasterers (6 hours) | 4.04 |
| Plasterers (6 hours) | 3.92 |
| Plasterers (6 hours) | 3.92 |
| Plumbers (8 hours) | 4.35 |
| Refrigeration installation (8 hours) pipe | 4.585 |
| Roofers (8 hours) | 3.80 |
| Sheet Metal Workers (8 hours) | 4.075 |
| Shinglers (8 hours) | 3.865 |
| Sign Painters (7 hours) | 3.81 |
| Sign Painters (7 hours) | 3.31 |
| Steamfitters (8 hours) | 4.585 |
| Stone Masons (8 hours) | 4.15 |
| Terrazzo Workers (8 hours) | 3.80 |

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| Terrazzo Workers Helpers (8 hours) | 3.05 |
| Tile Setters (8 hours) | 4.25 |
| Tile Setters Helpers (8 hours) | 3.45 |

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All skilled labor not listed above that may be employed is to be paid not less than the Union Wage Scale provided there is such a scale established in this locality, and in no event to be paid less than \$3.045 per hour.

The daily wage rate shall be the scale per hour hereinabove established multiplied by the number of hours hereinabove mentioned as constituting the working day for the particular craft or type of workman.

Overtime and holiday rates paid shall be those recognized in the collective bargaining agreements applicable to the particular craft, classification or type of workman employed on the project.

It shall be mandatory upon the Contractor to whom the contract is awarded, and upon any subcontractors under him, to pay not less than the said specified rates to all laborers, workmen and mechanics employed by them in the execution of the contract.

Properly indentured apprentices may be employed upon this work in accordance with the State Law. Such apprentices shall be properly indentured as called for by law and shall be paid not less than the standard wage to apprentices under the regulations of the trade at which they are employed. An apprentice shall be employed only at the work of the trade to which he is indentured. The initial wage to be paid an apprentice shall be not less than twenty-five percent (25%) of the Journeyman's wage being paid and shall be increased each six months in an amount not less than fifteen percent (15%).

Helpers shall be paid the standard wage for helpers established under the regulations of the trade at which they are employed.

Anything to the contrary in the above wage scale notwithstanding, the Contractor and all subcontractors under him shall pay all their laborers, workmen, mechanics, and employees on said work a salary or wage at least equal to the prevailing salary or wage for the same quality of service rendered to private persons, firms, corporations under similar employment in the County of Alameda.

In addition to per diem wages as herein determined, contractors may be required to make employer payments for health and welfare, pension, vacation, and similar purposes and required by executed collective bargaining agreements for particular crafts, classification, or type of work involved.

The Retirement Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids, or any or all items or propositions of such bids.

By order of the Retirement Board of the County of Alameda, State of California, this 13th day of June, 1961.

(Signed) Jack G. Blue, County Clerk as Ex-Officio Clerk of the Retirement Board of said County of Alameda, State of California.

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Sheet Metal Snips

By AL ARELLANO

To all Sheet Metal Workers, wish to inform you that as of July 1, 1961, the scale for a journeyman Sheet Metal Worker will be \$4.29 per hour, which is an increase of \$21½ an hour over the present scale.

All employers have been informed by letter and you are advised now that should you fail to receive the raise as listed above on your first paycheck in July, you are to immediately contact this office so that we can proceed in having this matter corrected.

I would like to again remind all of you that election for officers of Local 216 will take place on Saturday, June 24, 1961, between the hours of 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. Be sure and get to the polls this day and exercise this democratic right.

Death Assessment No. 460 is now due and payable. Brother Ben G. Sewall, No. 37205, a member in good standing of Local 108, Los Angeles, Calif., passed away on May 9, 1961.

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Fraternally yours,
J. W. KIRKMAN,
Recording Secretary

UNITED STEELWORKERS 4468

Regular meetings held 2nd Saturday of each month at 10:00 a.m. at Eagles Hall, 1228 36th Avenue, Oakland.

Fraternally,
FRANK V. McINTOSH,
Recording Secretary

HAYWARD CULINARY 823

All three meetings of this union will be held on the third Tuesday of the month, the first at 9:30 a.m., the second at 2:30 p.m., and the third at 8:00 p.m. at the union headquarters.

The next regular meeting will be held July 18, 1961.

JOSEPH MEDEIROS,
President
LEROY V. WOODS,
Secretary-Treasurer

CARPENTERS 36

Unless otherwise specified, regular meetings will be held each Friday at 8 p.m. at Carpenters Hall, 761 12th St., Oakland, Calif.

There will be a special called meeting, Friday at 8:00 p.m., July 7, 1961, for the installation of all officers and delegates and to vote on the amendments to the Bay Counties District Council of Carpenters By-Laws, at the above address. Please be in attendance.

Fraternally yours,
OSCAR N. ANDERSON
Recording Secretary

PLUMBERS & GAS FITTERS 444

The next regular meeting of Plumbers & Gas Fitters Local Union No. 444 will be held on Wednesday, June 28, 1961, in Hall A on the first floor of the Labor Temple Building, 2315 Valdez St., Oakland, Calif. at 8 p.m.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. The regular order of business.
2. At this meeting we may request strike sanction against the Retailers' Council and the United Employers.
3. At this meeting we will request that Local No. 444 will not hold a union meeting in the vacation month of July, the same procedure as followed last year.
4. The next regularly scheduled holiday will be Independence Day, July 4th.
5. A partial report from the location and building Committee.

As your union meetings should be of importance to you and your families, please make an honest effort to attend and participate in deliberations.

Fraternally yours
BEN H. HEYNON,
Bus. Mgr. & Fin. Sec.-Treas.

STEAMFITTERS LOCAL 342

A special called meeting of this union will be held on Sunday, July 2, 1961, in Hall M of the Labor Temple at 10 a.m.

The purpose of this meeting is to accept or reject the report of your Negotiating Committee pertaining to this union's working agreement.

As this matter is of vital importance to you and your family, please arrange your affairs so that you may be present at this meeting.

Fraternally,
JAMES MARTIN,
Fin. Sec'y. Bus. Mgr.

UC EMPLOYEES 371

As the regular meetings have been suspended during vacation time, the officers and executive board wish all members a vacation of fun and rest. Remember the meetings when they resume on September 9, 1961.

Fraternally yours,
A. ROBERTSON,
Secretary

HAYWARD PAINTERS 1178

Friday night July 7th next, we go to bat in a regular, come out, and take your turn at the bat concerning any pitch that may come over the plate. There will, without a doubt, be some pitches served up that will interest action on your part. A special meeting coming up soon. You will be notified by post card as well as in this script.

Installation of officers immediately after the opening of the meeting will be the order of business. The new officers are: President Swanson, Vice President DeFord, Recording Secretary Miller, Financial Secretary Green, Treasurer Stanley, Warden Patterson, Conductor Golway and Trustee Bruce.

Fraternally yours,
ROBERT S. MILLER,
Recording Secretary

BERKELEY CARPENTERS 1158

Unless specified, regular meetings will be held on the first and third Mondays of each month.

Fraternally yours,
NICK J. AFDAMO,
Recording Secretary

MILLMEN 550

Please note the following:

1. Pursuant to District Council by-laws on dues formula, dues will be increased 25 cents per month effective July 1, 1961.
2. The general wage increase effective May 1 applies to all classifications in planing mill and cabinet shop agreements.
3. Dues for members working as outside carpenters are increased to \$5.25 per month effective July 1.

Fraternally yours,
GEO. E. WHITE, Pres.
JACK ARCHIBALD, Sec'y.

UNITED STEELWORKERS 1798

Regular union meeting Friday, June 23, 8 p.m., Hall D, 2315 Valdez St., Oakland.

Fraternally,
ELLA BAINES,
Recording Secretary

BERKELEY PAINTERS 40

SPECIAL ELECTION NOTICE

DATE: June 23rd, 1961.

TIME: Polls open for voting from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.

PLACE: Local 40 Union Hall, 2051 San Pablo Ave., Berkeley, Calif.

SUBJECT: Election by secret ballot of one secretary-treasurer and six business representatives for District Council of Painters No. 16. Also the election of Local Union 40 officers, executive board and delegates will be held at this special election.

There will be no regular meeting June 23 due to the election.

Fraternally yours,
GENE SLATER,
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Fraternally yours,
MARIUS WALDAL,
Recording Secretary

PAINTERS LOCAL 127

The next meeting of your local is Thursday, June 22, 1961. This will be a regular meeting, and all the District Council candidates should be present. So, come down and hear what they have to say.

Election Day for Local 127 is Saturday, June 24, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. to vote for Secretary-Treasurer of District Council No. 16 and all business agents of the council. Let's get out and vote.

Refreshments will be served to all members after they have voted and received voting stubs.

Date: Saturday, June 24, Room 115, Labor Temple.

Fraternally,
ED GULBRANSEN
Recording Secretary

STEEL MACHINISTS 1304

Next regular meeting, Thursday, July 6, at 8:00 p.m.

Executive board meets at 6:30 p.m.

There will be a special called meeting at 10:00 a.m., Saturday, June 24. This meeting has been called by Pres. Robt. Smith in recognition of a petition signed by ten of our members who desire to know why our union cards are not recognized by certain other unions since at AFL and CIO have supposedly merged. Sub. Dist. Director Joe Angel and Central Labor Council Secretary Robt. Ash will be in attendance; so don't miss this meeting.

Fraternally,
JOHN L. GIFFIN
Recording Secretary

CO. SCHOOL EMPLOYEES 257

Due to the July 4th holiday, the next regular meeting will be held JUNE 24th, 1961, at 2:00 p.m. at 1918 Grove St., Oakland, Calif.

There will be no meeting in August as many members are on vacation, and to avoid holding a meeting on the Labor Day weekend the September meeting will be held on September 9th, 1961.

The Executive Board meeting will be held at 10:30 a.m.

Fraternally yours,
VICTOR BARTELS
Secretary

AUTOMOTIVE MACHINISTS 1546

Pursuant to Article V, Section 2, of the By-Laws of the East Bay Automotive Machinists Lodge No. 1546, last amended Sept. 6, 1960, you are hereby officially notified of a special order of business for Tuesday, July 18, 1961.

The meeting for those employed on night shifts will be held at 10260 MacArthur Blvd. (our new meeting hall), at the hour of 1:00 p.m. in the afternoon.

For those employed on the day shift, the meeting will be held at the Oakland Auditorium Theatre at the hour of 8:00 p.m.

Please take notice of the time and place of the meetings.

Fraternally yours,
A. J. HAYES,
Recording Secretary

AUTO & SHIP PAINTERS 1176

Due to the July 4 holiday, the next meeting of Auto and Ship Painters 1176 will be on Tuesday, July 18, 1961, in Hall D of the Labor Temple, 2315 Valdez St., at 8:00 p.m.

Fraternally,
LESLIE K. MOORE
Business Rep.

New delegates

Two new delegates were seated at the June 12 meeting of the Central Labor Council: Albert J. DaCosta, Post Office Clerks 78, and Alan Graham, Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen 850.

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'STATE CAN'T SEND MEN THROUGH PICKET LINES'

The State Supreme Court has ruled that the State Department of Employment cannot be forced to refer workers to farms and orchards which are being picketed.

By a 5-2 decision, the highest court in the state reversed two lower court rulings. They were issued last year by Superior Judge Warren Steel of Yuba County in a case involving DiGiorio Fruit Corp. pear orchards and by Superior Judge A. B. Ware of Butte County in the Tom Bowers peach ranch case.

The State Department of Employment appealed the rulings.

The decision will help the AFLCIO Agricultural Workers Organizing Committee in its 1961 campaign for union contracts on California farms.

Joseph is delegate

Manny Joseph, president of Line Drivers 468, has been elected as the local's delegate to the International Brotherhood of Teamsters convention in Miami Beach starting July 3.

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Alameda Co. Building Trades Council backs Joe Graham

The Building Trades Council has concurred in a resolution of the Santa Clara County Central Labor Council, supporting Joseph Graham, a member of Iron Workers 790 fired for invoking his constitutional right not to testify before the House Un-American Activities Committee.

The resolution urges Local 790, a BTC affiliate, to pursue the discharge protest in the Graham case.

C. R. Bartalini of Carpenters 36, who moved adoption of the resolution by the Alameda County BTC, pointed out that the details of the case had been carried in the East Bay Labor Journal.

Bartalini (State Carpenters' Council president) referred to the important labor principles involved in the case and made it clear he was not defending whatever political beliefs Graham may have had.

The East Bay Labor Journal's position in the case was that a union should defend its members who are fired, regardless of what their political beliefs are.

Bartalini said he has had many inquiries on the subject

and that he had an interview with Graham. He said Graham was chief steward for Local 790 at San Jose Steel Co. for a number of years and was a good union member and effective steward.

When the opportunity arose, the company fired him, Bartalini charged.

Since then, Bartalini added, conditions in the plant have deteriorated. If the BTC concurs in the resolution, Bartalini said the local union may change its stand and pursue Graham's defense.

Ed Falkowski of Electrical Workers 595 and Robert Kerr of Glaziers 169 also spoke in favor of the resolution.

Falkowski said in his opinion the case showed either collusion between the company and the union or "lack of guts."

Kerr said he was in sympathy because he had been blacklisted in 1953 and nearly had to go to court to prove he was not a Communist.

The Contra Costa County Labor Council voted 47-2 to raise its per capita tax from 4 to 6 cents a member.

Drug association guilty in price case

The 1,500 member Northern California Pharmaceutical Assn. and its rate expert, Donald K. Hedgepeth of San Francisco, have been found guilty in the government's price fixing case.

Jury Foreman Irving Fairbanks said there was no question in the jurors' minds that the association was guilty of conspiring to fix the retail price of drugs.

The case involved price schedules prepared by Hedgepeth. Government attorneys said they will next pursue a civil suit against the pharmaceutical association. Experts said the door would be open for suits by private citizens.

Logging firms face U.S. labor charge

Secretary of Labor Arthur J. Goldberg asked the U.S. Court in Sacramento to restrain three Northern California firms engaged in logging operations from future violations of the U.S. Fair Labor Standards Act.

Named in the charge are Independent Loggers and Contractors, Inc., and Western Oregon Trucking Corporation, both of Eureka; and Firchau Logging Company, Inc., of Red Bluff. Also named in the suit is Albert J. Firchau, 1530 Tanbark, Red Bluff, president of all three corporations.

Jack N. Teale of San Francisco, investigation supervisor of the Labor Department's Wage-Hour Division, said an investigation disclosed that the firms were in violation of overtime, minimum wage, recordkeeping and shipment provisions of the law.

No upper age limit for Peace Corps

Contrary to popular belief, the Peace Corps is open to any American citizen over 18. There is no upper age limit.

Married couples without dependent children can be accepted if they both can do needed jobs. Parental approval is needed for minors.

Older or retired people can be accepted if they meet Peace Corps standards and if they have special skills which are needed.

Because of arduous living conditions, however, most of those chosen will be from 21 to 45. Older applicants may be used as instructors at training centers or as overseas supervisors. For information, write Peace Corps, Washington 25, D.C.

National Church Council offers 'Abolition' study

The National Council of Churches has released its study: "Operation Abolition: Some Facts and Some Comments."

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Mazey urges continued efforts on control of nuclear testing

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that the Communist regime did not replace a democracy.

The "corrupt, military dictatorship" of Chiang Kai-shek was merely replaced by another dictatorship, Mazey said.

He emphasized at the beginning of his talk that he holds no brief for any dictatorships—of the right or left. But he feels we should recognize the existence of the present government of China through diplomatic exchange and cease our opposition to its entry into the United Nations.

After all, we recognize other Communist dictatorships, and they are in the U.N. By doing the same with Red China, we would be in a better position to bargain, Mazey said.

As for Germany, the chief roadblock to agreement is the fact that Russia fears Germany. Germany was the aggressor in two world wars. In World War II, invading Germans took 20 million Russian lives, Mazey pointed out.

Mazey feels we should consider a demilitarized Germany as a neutral nation. He also urged consideration of Senator Mike Mansfield's proposal for a "neutral Berlin."

PLANNING FOR CHANGEOVER

If and when disarmament is achieved, how are we going to

soften the impact upon the 6½-7 million people now engaged in production for our military establishment?

We need to begin planning now, Mazey said.

One of the first steps should be to set up a national planning agency with cabinet status.

Aside from planning for disarmament, such a planning agency is needed, Mazey told the labor audience, for periodic in-

MAZEY ON TV

Emil Mazey will take part in a discussion on foreign policy on Open Mind at 2 p.m. Saturday on KRON-TV (Channel 4).

ventories of unemployment and changes in manpower needs.

The United States has had 26 recessions in 102 years, Mazey said. He added that he thinks this, alone, is a convincing argument for a national planning agency.

ROLE OF LABOR

Labor leaders and liberals in general have been reluctant to speak up on the subject of peace and disarmament, Mazey declared, for fear of being called "soft on Communism."

Pointing to the growing inventories of H-bombs and missiles by all major powers and the "extremely great" danger of accidental war, Mazey said the time for silence is past.

He said he believes there are many persons within the labor movement who are seriously concerned about these problems. They should stimulate discussion of these issues in local unions and at conventions, Mazey said.

Labor groups should adopt resolutions on foreign policy to give politicians ground to stand on, he added.

FUTURE CONFERENCES

The conference was held in the Leamington Hotel under auspices of Bay Area central labor councils and UAW locals.

Commenting on the "remarkable turnout," Chairman Arnold Callan, UAW sub-regional director, suggested holding further meetings every three months.

A summary of other talks will be published in the June 30 issue of the East Bay Labor Journal.

Building Trades officers unopposed

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office which those elected would serve. The council's constitution provides that the length of the term shall be decided by delegates at the time of nominations.

However, the constitution specifies a minimum of two years and a maximum of four. The four year maximum is the same as that set by the Landrum-Griffin Law for councils. The term just being completed was for three years.

William Ward of Lathers 88 moved that the term this time be for four years. Ward said he was making the motion on his own, and that no one had asked him to do it. Joe Egan of Plasterers 112 seconded the motion.

In the debate which followed, several delegates said they opposed long terms of office as a matter of principle. Their arguments were summed up by C. R. Bartolini of Carpenters 36, who said: "If you're doing a good job, you'll be re-elected."

Several others said they preferred long terms to eliminate "politicking." Paul Jones of Laborers 304 urged delegates to set the term at the maximum allowed under the L-G Law.

When a voice vote appeared indecisive, Joe Egan called for a roll call vote. Under the new BTC constitution, votes are allotted to international unions, rather than locals. Several delegates demanded caucuses of the various locals in their internationals to decide how to vote, and a 10-minute recess was called.

Bartolini raised the question of whether an international could cast its full number of votes, even if a smaller number of delegates was present.

After further debate, President Pruss ruled international could cast their full number of votes.

Roll call vote on the motion was as follows:

| | Yes | No |
|--------------------------------|-----|----|
| Asbestos Workers | 2 | |
| Carpenters | | 10 |
| Cement Masons-Plasterers | 2 | 2 |
| Electricians | | 4 |
| Iron Workers | 4 | |
| Laborers | 8 | |
| Lathers | 2 | |
| Painters | | 8 |
| Plumbers | | |
| Steamfitters | 6 | |
| Sheet Metal | | 4 |
| TOTALS | 24 | 28 |

The motion for a four year term was defeated.

By a voice vote, delegates then voted for another three year term. There were a few dissenting votes, however.

QUINN RETIRES

President Pruss announced that Robert E. Quinn, a delegate to the BTC for 40 years, is retiring as a business representative of his union and as a trustee to the council.

After the meeting, Joe Hightower, president of Carpenters 36, announced that Tuesday night was his last meeting as a delegate, too. He said he and C. E. Risley, business agent for many years, did not seek re-election.

OTHER MATTERS

In other matters:

• Business Representative Childers announced sales will resume on the Winton Grove Cooperative Apartments this weekend.

• Strike sanction was granted Sheet Metal Workers 216 and Sign Painters 878 against the NorCal Electric Advertising Association.

• Signed agreements were announced with the Knapp Construction Co.; Joseph Picariello & Co.; Wilson Sheiderman, plastering contractor; M. J. Santi & Sons, Inc., masonry contractors; Wallace Smith, plasterer, and Lincoln & Lincoln Drywall Co.

• The Building Trades Council voted to concur in the boycott of candy bars made by Peter Paul, Inc., at the request of the Central Labor Council.

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Legislature--some bright spots, some mighty dark!

To non-labor Democrats, the 1961 session of the State Legislature was (quote) "one of the best in history."

At least, that's what they said.

How about labor?

Two weeks ago, we took an editorial dim view of the Legislature's accomplishments up to that time.

True to form, a lot of legislation got through at the last minute. But many of the gaps spoke of two weeks ago were still gaping when the gavel ended it all at midnight last Friday.

In addition to killing the California Labor Federation's "Little Norris LaGuardia Act," the Legislature:

- Refused to establish a \$1.25 state minimum wage.
- Killed a bill to prevent importation of professional strikebreakers.

- Failed to repeal the "hot cargo" law.
- Failed to repeal the so-called Jurisdictional Strike Act.
- Killed legislation to establish democratic procedures for choosing collective bargaining representatives in intra-state commerce.

- Killed a measure to halt the indiscriminate use of court injunctions to cripple strikes.

As far as basic labor legislation is concerned, our elected representatives scored zero.

Labor came out a little better when it came to various social insurance programs. The Legislature did better on some of these than it did on others.

It extended disability insurance to farm workers. Also in the closing hours, it approved bills for moderate increases in unemployment compensation, unemployment disability and workmen's compensation insurance. Another bill provides for unemployment insurance during retraining of victims of automation.

The basic old age pension was raised from \$95 to \$100. Aid to blind and totally disabled persons was increased.

Requirements on citizenship and help from relatives of aid recipients were liberalized.

A state medical care program for the aged was started.

In several other fields of vital concern to labor, the Legislature dropped the ball.

In civil rights, it buried the Hawkins Fair Housing Bill and weakened or killed several other civil rights measures.

Water bills got the North-South treatment. Bills favorable to the South were pigeonholed by the Northern-dominated Senate. Bills favorable to the North got the same from the Assembly, where Southern California legislators call the shots.

The Building Trades Council's California Mortgage Authority Bill, which had state labor backing, died early in the session. It would have eased the credit squeeze and stimulated home construction.

However, a \$100 million bond issue for housing for the aged will be placed before voters next election.

Major bills to protect collective bargaining rights of public employees "went down the drain."

But a health insurance program was started for state employees. Despite last minute efforts by the non-union California State Employees Association to demand a referendum, unions won Social Security coverage on a free choice basis.

The Golden Gate Authority Bill, endorsed by the Central Labor Council, was pigeonholed.

On the positive side, the Legislature approved the plan backed by Governor Brown and the Teachers Union to reform teacher and administrative credentials. This bill was opposed by the non-union California Teachers Assn.

State aid to local school districts was increased by \$42 million.

Statewide pupil tests will be required. Burning of textbooks will end. Probationary teachers will get the right to a hearing. And teacher tenure will be extended to smaller districts.

Several bills of interest to consumers were passed, (see page 2), including a measure to curb "10 per center" abuses.

Narcotics legislation wasn't all that some asked for. But there will be greater emphasis on rehabilitation, and the Legislature refused to abridge civil liberties in search and seizure cases.

Also on the "plus side" is the new juvenile court law.

Governor Brown pulled the final rabbit out of the hat Monday when he announced an \$8,300,000 tax cut. That's good news for everybody.

Let's hope it benefits everybody—not just those at the top of the heap.

BREAD AND FREEDOM



HAGGERTY HITS SMEARS ON MISSILE BASE DELAY

From Building and Construction Trades Bulletin

Responsibility for the lag in the nation's missile program rests primarily upon scientific shortcomings, government indecision and management bloopers, C. F. (Neil) Haggerty told a press conference at headquarters of the AFL-CIO Building and Construction Trades Department.

The press conference was called after the McClellan Committee called off its public hearings without giving Haggerty the opportunity to testify in person.

While the anti-labor smears received big headlines and wide coverage in the press, Haggerty's defense of the unions and his counter-thrusts were not given equal coverage.

Some newspapers dismissed building trades' side of the story in a few lines.

Haggerty's statement prepared for presentation to the McClellan Committee was later made part of the official record.

He declared:

- "The American people should clearly realize that the so-called 'missile gap' is due largely to the failure of our scientists and researchers to match the Russians thus far in the development of missile and rocket booster power.

- "The preponderance of evidence from all sources shows that the delays in the completion of the missile base construction program are primarily due to non-labor factors, such as the inordinate number of change orders resulting from the concurrency policy.

- "Let me hasten to add that the Building and Construction Trades Department, AFL-CIO, does not condone unauthorized, irresponsible and unjustified strikes at missile bases. On the contrary, we have voluntarily and unilaterally taken action to reduce such local work stoppages to a minimum.

- "Further, this department and its constituent national and international unions do not condone or approve the pyramiding of overtime at missile sites. We must emphasize once more that decisions on how much, if any, overtime shall be worked are a management responsibility.

- "The officers and members of the Building Trades unions are proud to be Americans. They bow to no man with respect to loyalty and patriotism.

- "They have given their own blood and that of their sons in the defense of our country and its free institutions.

- "With full realization of the importance of the missile base construction program to the security of our nation, we are

determined to get the job done ahead of schedule if that is humanly possible."

INSULTS TO UNIONISTS

Haggerty told his press conference that building trades workers throughout the nation were stirred up by the gratuitous insults to their patriotism voiced at the final hearing of the McClellan Committee.

Through a series of questions, Sen. Karl Mundt (R-S. Dak.) tried to give the impression that an alleged slowdown at the Cape Canaveral base might have been due to the work of a Communist saboteur. This followed testimony by an uninformed witness that building trades workers at the base did not have to receive security clearance.

Haggerty pointed out that building trades workers at the Cape do have to get security clearance for work within sensitive areas and that the Air Force is the sole judge as to when and where such security clearance is required.

CONCURRENCY SMEAR

After puncturing this ridiculous smear, Haggerty declared that a great deal of "discontent" had arisen at missile bases due to the "concurrency policy" of the armed forces.

This policy, Haggerty said, is the key to most of the delays and the added expense. It involves the almost impossible task of building bases and missile launching sites before final determination of the size and specification of the missiles themselves.

Haggerty said he knew the "concurrency policy" was dictated by haste and anxiety to catch up with Soviet Russia, but it was primarily responsible for the major amount of time and money wasted on the job.

He indicated that the Air Force, in charge of the program and the airframe manufacturers who were made the prime contractors, had but little prior experience in dealing with building trades unions and had no idea how to solve local problems that cropped up from time to time. On the other hand, construction contractors, more knowledgeable and experienced, had no trouble in solving local disputes.

NO-STRIKE DIRECTIVE

On Feb. 16, Haggerty pointed out, the building trades unions adopted a strong no-strike policy on missile base jobs, requiring local unions to obtain clearance from their national or international union before ordering a work stoppage.

He said he knew of only two brief walkouts since then.

OPINIONS

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ASKS UNITED FRONT ON DISCRIMINATION

Editor, Labor Journal:

Your column in the East Bay Labor Journal of Friday, June 2, scoring the real estate lobby of Berkeley about its "Hogwash" on Assembly Bill 801 (fair housing) is received with welcome!

For too long a time has Berkeley been considered the "liberal exception" in California on such issues as discriminatory practices. For too long have the weak-kneed "gradualists" usurped and divided the voice of the community of working people with their philosophy of integrating the "socially assimilated" colored people, only. i.e. Anyone but the workers!

The Berkeley City Council (as do all other city councils today) lay claim to "their right" of representing all the city's people, and yet when it comes down to an issue where the rights of a discriminated minority are pitted against the rights of the real estate offices, either nothing at all is achieved, or a vicious campaign is launched by the real estate board (as happened two years ago in a referendum vote) to prove that "citizens rights are being destroyed" and property rights and values lowered.

And now this same real estate lobby has the bald guts to say that Berkeley as a whole is opposed to this measure!

Do they really think or can they possibly suppose that the 25 per cent minority population of Berkeley is going to stay silent in the face of such rank distortion of the truth?

Can't organized labor do something about the situation?

Why not form a "united front" of the NAACP and organized labor through the Alameda Central Labor Council to march on the next council meeting of Berkeley and demand the "full representation" of the people of a city that the council members so piously claim is within their ability alone to give?

If these members once again disprove with their actions what they so loudly shout with their voices, isn't it time that organized labor and the NAACP got together to run their own slate, in their own interests, independent of those who in a tight pinch always protect the interests of the few again the many? Isn't it time that the next election gave birth to such a "Labor Party."

If all the people within the ranks of organized labor cannot achieve their just demands through the present methods of representation and leadership then definitely a new and more direct method must be found. Money interests must be stopped from assuming the appearance of speaking for a majority simply because they have the channels (or own them) through which to speak. I have offered these suggestions because I feel the situation in the south and in Berkeley today has proven beyond all measure that now is the time for combined action—rather than disorganized voices and demands. In unity there is strength!

Thank you for making the East Bay Labor Journal a voice for all the working people.

VIRGINIA KIEZEL,
Member, Culinary
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FREEDOM RIDERS

The spearhead being thrust by these Freedom Riders is a necessary thing and needs to be done. I have nothing but respect for these courageous people.—Wilmont Sweeney, Berkeley City councilman.